

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Shakurai et al.  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 37 C.F.R. 1.97, and 37 C.F.R. 1.98, Applicants request that a citation and examination of the references cited on the attached PTO-1449 form be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States patent. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.98, copies of all foreign patent documents and non-patent documents are enclosed.

Applicants are also enclosing herewith a copy of a European Search Report for European Patent Application No. 04792717.3-2217 that corresponds to the present application and of which the references cited in the PTO - 1449 were cited therein.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge deposit account 02-1818 for any fees which are due and owing.

Applicants look forward to early and favorable consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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